

"Juzgar á ojos cerrados es hacerle sombra al Prejuicio"

[To judge with closed eyes is to cast a shadow on Prejudice.]

At first I was not open-minded.

"Bah," said I to a friend, "this 15 cent cigar is no match for my 25 cent cigar which is made right in Havana."

"Close your eyes," he answered patiently, "Now smell both; which is the 25 cent one?" "I do not know," I answered, "but—"

"Light this one—now the other—which tastes the better?"

"Both seem the same," I was forced to exclaim, "in each I taste the ambrosial leaf of choice Havana!"

He cut the two open. Could I tell the difference in workmanship? he sought to know.

Again, I must confess, I saw no difference; the workmanship was by expert Cubans.

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SCOTS GO HOME FROM END OF WORLD TO HELP IN GREAT WAR

In Some Districts Not a Man Could Be Found Fit to Fight in Case of Conscription

EDINBURGH, Scotland.—The Scot in American exile, who daily ponders over the diversified war news and whose face turns always to the homeland and particularly the northern part thereof, where the mountains rise till they are lost in the gossamer shreds of mist and the sea rolls in amid the thousand inlets of the western Hebrides, may well wonder how the upheaval of the eastern hemisphere is affecting the lives of the folks he has left behind.

Over the length and breadth of Scotland the war spirit reverberated in a wave of patriotism unparalleled in all its history. Figures available on the eve of the last voluntary call to arms by King George show that Scotsmen have made an unequalled rally to the rumble of the empire's drum.

To give a concrete illustration—from the Island of Lewis 90 per cent of the male population today wear the King's uniform, mostly in the navy; the cities of Edinburgh, Dundee, Perth, Inverness and Aberdeen responded, till now it is believed not a conscript, if conscription comes, could be secured.

Scotland for months has been a vast armed camp. On the border there is a great camp occupied by the men from the Lowlands. Away in the west in the farming county of Argy there are camps where you meet the long limbed, lean, deep chested men with the quick gray eyes typical of the people of the western seaboard.

Fighting at Dardanelles. On the Scottish regiments fell the bulk of the fighting in the Dardanelles. It was on the regiments who went out from the capital of the country that the losses were heaviest, and today in the city of Edinburgh there is scarcely a family but mourns the

loss of a relative or friend. The landing at the Dardanelles has been written of as one of the wonder pages in the military history of the world.

Scotsmen are happy, gladly though the sacrifices were, that to their sons was apportioned the first effort to get a footing on the peninsula. From Flanders again are endless stories of deeds which cover anew the names of Scottish regiments with lustre. Of the famous Black Watch it is said they carried their trenches at Loos half an hour ahead of any other part of the British army. This may or may not be true, but at all events in the English papers long accounts have appeared of the thrilling onrush of the kilties.

The Royal Scots, the Lowland regiment with which Lord Roseberry's name is associated, have won undying fame at the Dardanelles. The Cameronians, the regiment largely recruited from the professional classes of Glasgow, the King's Own Scottish Borderers, the Fife and Forfar Yeomen, the Argyll, the Seaforth and the Gordon Highlanders have all thus early embellished their old fighting records.

Hunger for a Fight.

There are men in these camps who have been training for 14 months. They are hungry to be sent out. They represent the best blood in the nation. They are drawn from the middle classes and the Shire families.

Instances are known where Scotsmen voyaged hundreds of miles on the rivers from the backwoods of Canada. Scotsmen came from the sheep farms of Australia, from the rubber plantations in the East, from the torrid plains of India, from the golden Rand.

The old Scotsman watched—and there was a tug at his heart strings—the human river roll endlessly to the land of home. He heard of his lads who had crossed the Andes from regions almost unknown and sailed around Cape Horn, 10,000 miles, all at their own expense, to join the line of battle for their race.

SUGAR MILLS OF BRAZIL PRODUCE BIG LOT OF RUM

Molasses Ferments Quickly in Heat; Price is Regulated by Market for Alcohol

There are numerous sugar mills in the Pernambuco district of Brazil, and, as many still use the "pan" process, there is a large supply of molasses. Practically all the sugar mills operate distilleries, producing rum and alcohol, for which there is a local demand.

The result is that nearly all the molasses is consumed locally, with an average price of about \$7.50 per "pipe" of 127 gallons. The price of alcohol naturally establishes the price of molasses. Alcohol (test of 38° to 42° Cartier) is now quoted from 30 to 35 cents per "canada," 1.43 gallons.

Several American schooners are now bringing coal from Norfolk, Newport News and other ports and returning empty. Some arrangements might be made with the owners of these vessels for carrying barrel staves to points in Brazil.

It is believed that sugar mills generally would rather export the molasses than distill it, provided the returns were equal to that derived from alcohol. The molasses from this section, however, ferments much more readily than that shipped from the Barbados. On account of the heat in transit, therefore, leakage would be a very serious factor unless it were practicable to use, say, steel drums.

Bulgaria plans to convert much of the territory acquired from Turkey into a vast tobacco field, producing some of the finest and highest-priced tobacco in the world.

GERMANS USING WHITE GOODS TO SHIELD TROOPS

All Linen and Cotton Obtainable Commandeered for Use on Russian Fronts

LONDON, England.—The Morning Post's Petrograd correspondent gives a detailed account of the preparations the Germans made for the winter campaign in Russia.

Several new ideas have been evolved. Light metal buildings, ready to be put together, and provided with steam heaters, are destined to afford temporary warmth even in the trenches. Supplies of sleeping sacks are being procured.

Provision is also being made for the delivery of enormous quantities of spirits, and strict orders are being issued that soldiers must rub themselves all over with it daily. Von Hindenburg is said to have issued an order signifying that any commander who loses a single man from frost deserves to be shot.

Hide Under White Coverings.

Among the most curious preparations is the gathering of calico, linen and holland, indeed any light materials, white in color.

Apart from collections of domestic linens throughout Germany, the whole region held by the Germans in Russia has been systematically pillaged of such material. The object is to cover uniforms, trenches and supply carts to make them invisible amid the snow.

The Germans have invented special tripod arrangement carrying a vast expanse of white material under which they hope to bivouac unseen by aeroplanes, and another device is intended to allow the line advancing to attack to creep up invisibly.

As the ground during the Russian winter freezes for a depth of three to six feet trench digging becomes practically impossible during ordinary circumstances of war. The Germans therefore organized special boring commands whose duty is to creep forward in the night, make a succession of borings with special instruments and insert explosives. When these are fired the soldiers will be easily able to shovel the debris away.

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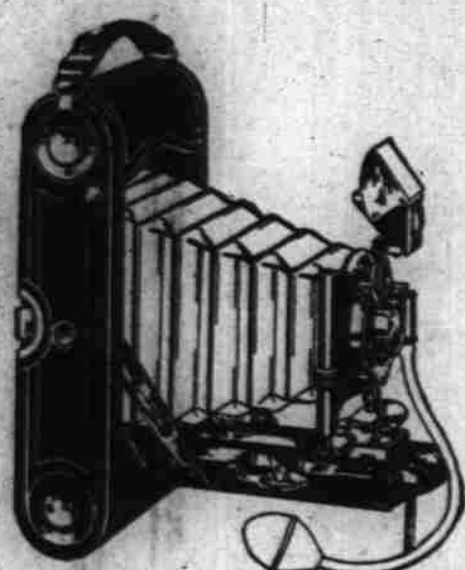
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